

## THIEVES GET INTO ROBIN HOOD ELEVATOR

Get About Seventy Bushels of No. 1 and Mix things Up Generally.

Taking advantage of the strong wind and the absence of electric lights early Monday morning, thieves broke into the Robin Hood elevator and stole a load of No. 1 wheat, some seventy bushels. The theft was not discovered by Manager Smith till after eight o'clock and at that time several wagons had passed over the road and it was impossible to follow the tracks. There has been plenty of thieves from the elevator for some time but the miscreants have always escaped detection. Not only did they steal the grain but they opened the gates and allowed the cars and wheat to run together, thus making a general mess of things.

## MUNICIPAL ELECTION ASPECTS

"The almost on the eve of municipal election day and practically no campaign has been made toward the campaign for 1915 candidates."

There are three seats vacant besides that of mayor. Councillor Rogers is out of town. There will be a new man needed to fill his place. Mr. R. Miller's name will probably be again before the public, and probably Lester Webster and B. T. Gray.

As for mayor, it is said G. M. Pierce would accept if given the seat by acclamation. If there is a contest the probable candidates would be G. M. Pierce, Wallace Flanagan and Geo. Travis.

There appears to be great resistance on the part of the council to any quality towards taking any active part in municipal affairs, due in most part to the fear of criticism. Flanagan had to accept the responsibility of the town's business and it is in the interest of every individual to see that a strong executive is placed in charge of affairs.

## WHEAT GOES UP!

What is steadily climbing up in price and the farmers are working harder than ever. \$1.00, was the price of wheat in the market in Bassano—\$1.00 in Winnipeg.

When who know, claim, that taking conditions generally, the farmers in Western Canada are in better shape financially than they have ever been. Collections have been found in the past two years and the farmer is comparatively out of debt. If he gets the prospective high prices next year, he will be monarch of all he surveys.

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## J. S. Mavor, Prominent Bassano Lawyer, May Contest Bow River Constituency.

There is an election pending at a comparative early date in the new federal constituency of Bow River, and the probabilities are that Bassano will figure rather prominently in the campaign as it is persistently rumored that J. S. Mavor is to be tendered the conservative nomination.

In answer to a point of question for publication, Mr. Mavor was very much non-committal, though it was admitted, that considerable influence was being affected toward allowing his name to come before the convention in Calgary on Dec. 2nd.

Should Mr. Mavor receive and accept the nomination, he will undoubtedly command heavy endorsement by his numerous friends in Bassano and a large surrounding territory irrespective of party prejudices. He has a good name and as per Solomon "A good name is more to be desired than much gold."

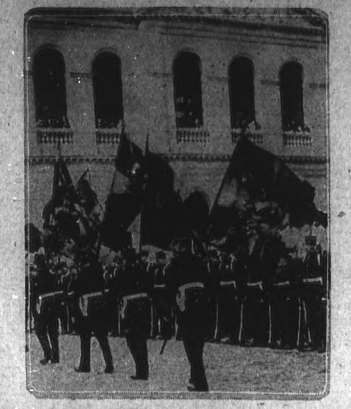
The liberal party has not as yet announced any candidate, so it is hard to say just how hot the action is likely to be. However, any man taking the field is sure to find an opponent worthy of metal in Bassano's lawyer candidate.

## COMMERCIAL COURSE FOR ALBERTA HIGH SCHOOLS

The Alberta Department of Education has issued regulations respecting a commercial course in connection with the high schools. Requirements for entrance to the commercial classes are the same as for the regular high school classes; i.e., a pupil must have passed his grade 8 or have equivalent standing. The course as outlined by the Department is a two-year one. The subjects taken include English literature, English grammar, English composition, spelling, letter writing, punctuation, penmanship, arithmetic, book-keeping, geography, commercial law, etc. There will be an examination at the end of each year. Those who pass the examinations and whose work throughout the course has been of a satisfactory nature will be awarded diplomas by the Department. This course may be taken up in the high school at the discretion of the school board.

Principal Mitchell has recommended the proposition to the Bassano School Board for consideration.

## CAPTURE GERMAN FLAGS IN PARIS.



Several German flags, captured by the French in northern France and Belgium, being taken into the "Invalides" in Paris to be placed among the French war trophies. In this building are many relics of the war of 1870. The "Invalides" is shown in the background.

## Alberta 1914 Farm Products Bring Some Eight Millions More than in 1913.

War Prices Account for Big Returns. Live Stock Valuation Increases Ten Per Cent. and is Important Factor in Agricultural Development.

"People who take their time, their land and in few other things, not in keeping with the war-time slogan, 'business as usual', will be mighty surprised to learn that Alberta's farm products for 1914 have an estimated value of nearly \$8,000,000 in excess of the value of the products for 1913, an increase of over 10 per cent."

In 1913 the value of farm products amounted to \$68,000,000. In 1914 the estimate goes to show that the \$68,000,000 mark will be considerably exceeded. And that is not all. The farmers have been raising some livestock against "drought", and the increase in the value of livestock on the farms is over \$5,000,000 in excess of the value of the stock in the farmers' hands in 1913. This amount with the excess in value of products as shown above, shows the farmers of this province to be some \$18,000,000 better off than one year ago.

The value of livestock in the hands of farmers of the province at present is estimated at \$18,000,000, making the livestock industry the backbone of the agricultural development of Alberta.

The following figures are prepared by the provincial department of agriculture from carefully compiled reports and are a good tonic against any sort of blue rain.

## BIG GAS WELL FOR EDMONTON CITY

After "Old Field", the famous well of the Calgary Natural Gas Company at Bow Island, and which produces 17,000,000 cubic feet of gas every 24 hours, and which is one of the heaviest producers in the world, the well at Viking, which struck gas at 7,340 feet, and is yielding up over 6,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily, is the second well in the province in point of production.

The well was financed by the Edmonton Ad Club, \$50,000 having been raised by public subscription in a few hours. The idea was to bore for gas with the idea of finding a supply for the city, and the arrangement was in the event of finding sufficient gas the subscribers to the fund were to be reimbursed by the city. However, in the event that no gas was found the subscribers were to stand the loss.

Prominent in the undertaking was former Mayor McNamara. He headed the subscription list with \$5,000 and a few weeks ago, when some of the subscribers could not produce the amounts they had subscribed, the mayor and one other individual, furnished the money to keep the drill going.

It was through the Mayor's connection with the gas boring undertaking that the outer proceedings were investigated, and which resulted in Mayor McNamara being removed from office.

## THE SONG OF THE CAMP

"Give us a song!" the soldier cried  
The other tramped guard  
When the heated guns of the camp called  
Once away of bombardment  
There was a name, A guardman said,  
"We're the sons of the mother  
While we may, another day  
Will bring enough of sorrow."  
They sang of love and not of fame;  
Forgot was Britain's glory  
Each heart recalled a different name,  
But all sang "Annie Laurie."

## G. G. G. CO. MAKE 20 PER CENT. PROFIT

World's Largest Company of Co-operative Farming Interests Does Large Volume of Business at Good Margin of Profit.

A net profit of \$181,000.91 on the past year's operations of the Grain Growers' Grain Co., was the satisfactory statement presented to the shareholders of the company by President Cramer at the annual meeting held in Winnipeg last week.

The paid-up capital of the company is now \$771,400.35, so that the profit on the year's business was approximately twenty per cent. A ten per cent. dividend has been declared and will be paid out to 14,000 farmer shareholders of the company in the three prairie provinces, and the balance of the profit has been placed in reserve to strengthen the financial position of the company. During the past year the company has handled thirty million bushels of grain, and in the eight years of its operations the total grain handled by the company has been 187,821,088 bushels, being the largest farmer grain company in the world.

The co-operative department of the company has been very successful. In this department the company has handled coal, apples, lumber, fence posts, flour, woven wire fencing, herb wire and binder twine. The total turnover in the co-operative department in the past year has been \$800,000, and the profit has been very satisfactory.

The Grain Growers' Grain Co. was the subject of a widely advertised article in a recent issue of "The Country Gentleman" in which it was claimed that the Canadian company was the most remarkable and successful demonstration of co-operative farming interests in the world.

## Former Bassano Business Man Dies at Old Home Town.

Chas. H. Padley, who disposed of his butcher business in Bassano and returned to his former home at Dillon, Montana, died on Thursday, October 22nd.

The Dillon Examiner is quoted as follows: "After a lingering illness of about a year's duration, Charles H. Padley, a pioneer resident of Dillon who had been prominently identified with public and political affairs in this city and county died here at 6:45 last Thursday night. (Oct. 22nd)."

About ten years ago Mr. Padley left Dillon for Calgary, Canada, where he engaged in the packing business. He remained in Canada till last June when he returned to his former home, suffering from a serious illness, which gradually grew worse and finally resulted in his death."

Mr. Padley was 50 years old and was native of the state of Delaware. When 26 years of age he was married at Oregon, Ill., to Miss Nellie Mae Cotter. Besides the widow, in Dillon, deceased he survived by one daughter, Mrs. Fred Heffer of Grand Forks, B.C. An only son died in Calgary three years ago. In the spring of '94, accompanied by his wife, Mr. Padley arrived in Dillon. By persistent effort and indomitable spirit he soon established himself in chosen business, that of a butcher. He was prominently identified with the demo-

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## LOCAL AND SPECIAL

Save the date.—New Year's Eve.

Dr. Hagley is at Empress for a few days in the practice of his profession.

Port Nelson on the Hudson Bay raised \$3000 for the Patriotic Fund.

Suits or Overcoats made to order at \$20.00. 100 styles to pick from.—Jack Torgan.

\$11,000,000 in gold has been deposited in the treasury vaults at Ottawa by the city of New York in settlement of her London obligations.

If no more work is done on the new post office it can easily be converted into a dancing pavilion next first of July.

Russell Brown has taken advantage of the present low price of the Ford cars, and placed an order with Roy Smith for a five passenger Model T.

The members of the Bassano fire department are making preparations to give a dance on New Year's Eve.

A very successful and largely attended dance was held at the Alberta Hotel last Friday evening under the management of Bob Sinclair and Pete Wilkinson.

Our \$20.00 Suits are a genuine bargain, but we also make suits up to \$40.00.—Jack Torgan.

Miss A. G. Robertson, of Burns and Mavor's office, has received word that one of her two brothers who were at the front with the allies in Belgium, has been wounded and is now in a London hospital. His wounds are not fatal.

M. Mecklenburg, M.A., a university graduate sight specialist of 29 years' experience, will again be at the Hunter Hotel, Bassano, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Eyes properly tested, glasses fitted and furnished free, if you require any.

With a capacity of 12,000,000 pounds of binder twine and 4,000,000 pounds of rope, the Western Canada Cordage Plant, employing 360 men, and with a payroll of about \$4000 weekly, will shortly start building operations in Calgary.

Snow storms are quite fashionable in Alberta this fall. To-day again sees the ground white and the snow softly falling. Looks very much as if there is a long close winter ahead. The farmers have been busy on the land without a halt up to date.

Seeing the repairs being made to the plank walls, suggests that Bassano is "heavily old enough to wear a few stripes of concrete. Perhaps the city fathers will shake off a little of the pioneer and frontier appearance sometime before the convention visitors arrive next year.

Alex. McBain was sent up for trial last week by Dr. Hagley, J.P., on a charge of attempted burglary. The accused was discovered while Salvador's shoe shop in the night. When taken into custody by Chief Clynne it was found that he had left his shoes outside so as not to create a disturbance.

The Red Cross ladies are busily engaged in the disposal of tickets for the dance that is being given in the Berkeley Hotel next Wednesday evening. The receipts will go to aid the Red Cross work. Manager Butler has very kindly given the ladies free use of his dining hall for the holding of the dance.

Ralph N. Engle, of the Bassano Development Co., was quietly married in Moose Jaw on Thursday last, Nov. 14th, to Miss Mabel Engle of Elizabethtown, Ind. A number of Mr. Engle's friends were at the depot on Monday to bid welcome to the happy couple upon their arrival from the east. Mr. and Mrs. Engle purpose taking up their residence in town for the winter at least.

M. Mecklenburg, the well known eye specialist is the only graduate visiting your town. Now is your opportunity to get your eyes properly, thoroughly examined, tested and fitted to the proper glasses. You may get your glasses from any person you wish. I will not sell any again at the Hunter Hotel, Bassano, Saturday, Nov. 21st.

The Brooks hockey club has re-organized for the season with R. S. Hinton as president and P. McLeod, assistant secretary. L. D. Smith, R. L. Clark were appointed to attend the league meeting to be held in Bassano on Tuesday, Nov. 24th, for arranging a league schedule. Bassano had suggested Nov. 10th as a date for this meeting but the Gleichen delegates were unable to attend, so Nov. 24th, was taken as a compromise.

See the Berkeley ad.

100 different styles to pick from at \$20.00 per suit.—Jack Torgan.

It seems now to be a fight over who is going to have "Turkey" for Christmas.

Having closed down the day after war was declared, throwing 1200 men out of employment, the Massey-Harris Co. is now re-opening the Brompton plant and will take on 800 men five days a week.

A. R. Littlebury, of Calgary, is in town for a couple of days in the interests of the Toronto Type Foundry Co., which company has purchased the plant of the late Bassano News and is shipping same to Winnipeg.

For the past two months there has not been a single day that the natural resources department of the Canadian Pacific has failed to record a sale of land to a bona fide settler, part of whose agreement is to settle on the land purchased within a few months. The record for September and Oct., with two business days unaccounted for, is 138 heads of families who have purchased land, and the aggregate number of purchases is about 80,000 acres.

The Legislative Council of Hong Kong passed an ordinance to go into effect immediately, compelling all enemies of Great Britain, residing within the colony to bring their business enterprises to an end and depart. The government will appoint liquidators. Any person purchasing such a foreign business must show his good faith. There are a number of German firms doing business in Hong Kong as there are English.

Calgary district headquarters has been officially notified that Alberta will be called upon to raise a mounted rifle regiment consisting of 548 men and officers, one troop of field artillery consisting of 103 men and officers; a machine gun section of 23 men and officers, and a section of five ambulances consisting of 93 men and officers. These will go with the next contingent and will be in addition to the raising of an infantry brigade of 1,950 men and officers, but the infantry regiment will be kept mobilized until the third contingent goes. This means that Alberta will be called upon to raise, when the accommodation for them is ready, a grand total of 2,351 men and officers. Though only eight battalions of infantry are being sent with the second division, fifteen battalions of infantry will be raised in the Dominion right away. The extra seven battalions, comprising about 9000 men and officers, will be used to make up the contingents which the department contemplates sending on the basis of the seventy per cent. of the total force sent. The seven extra battalions to be left behind for further drafting will be raised at Quebec, Calgary, British Columbia, Montreal, Toronto, Halifax and Winnipeg.

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"The people think we ought to."  
"Fiddle about in the Kiel Canal."  
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